GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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CBI CASE AGAINST OFFICIALS OF AAI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has registered a case against certainofficials of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) forleasing out AAI land in Bombay thereby causing loss to the exchequer;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government against the officials involved therein?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a), (b) and (c) : In the recent past, CBIhas not registered any case regarding leasing out of Airports Authority of India (AAI) land in Mumbai. However, CBI in the past had investigated the cases of leasing of AAI land in Mumbai to
(i) M/s. India Hotel Corporation Ltd.
(ii) leasing of hanger space to M/s. MESCO Airlines,
(iii) leasing of land to M/s. Regency Convention Centre and Hotel for construction of convention centre and five star hotel and
(iv) a case of fraudulent sale of AAI`s land in Mumbai.In the first case, CBI had recommended regular departmentalaction against the erring officers of AAI. In the second case, CBIfound that no allegation were substantiated and recommended closure of the case. In the third case, the CBIhas not yet concluded their investigation. In the fourth case, an Assistant Aerodrome Officer who was involved in the case has already been removed from service.